

DCF Case Finding History

Timeframe	Standard	Finding Language	Code in Central Registry (CERS)
Before 1997	<p>Preponderance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 51 % convinced something occurred Alleged facts are more likely to be true than not. 	“Confirmed” and “Unconfirmed”	CN
1997 to June 30, 2004	<p>Preponderance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 51 % convinced something occurred Alleged facts are more likely to be true than not. 	<p>A. “Unsubstantiated” if the response to the question, “Would a reasonable person conclude that more likely than not abuse/neglect occurred,” is “No.”</p> <p>B. “Substantiated”- a reasonable person weighing the evidence would conclude it is more likely than not (preponderance of the evidence) a person is the perpetrator.</p> <p>C. “Validated” The term validation comes from the statutory provision (K.S.A. 65-516) that a person poses a danger to children and may not work, reside or regularly volunteer in a facility regulated by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE).</p>	<p>CV</p> <p>SB- is a substantiated finding, but the person is NOT on Central Register during this timeframe.</p>
July 1, 2004 to present	<p>“Clear and Convincing”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greater than 51% convinced but less than 90% convinced. Evidence which shows the truth of the facts asserted is highly probable. 	<p>A. “Unsubstantiated”-The facts or circumstances do not provide clear and convincing evidence to meet the Kansas Statutes Annotated (K.S.A.) and Kansas Administrative Regulations (K.A.R.) definition of abuse and neglect.</p> <p>B. “Substantiated”- The facts and circumstances provide clear and convincing evidence to conclude the alleged perpetrator's actions or inactions meet the K.S.A. and K.A.R. definition of abuse or neglect and, therefore, alleged perpetrator should not be permitted to reside, work, or regularly volunteer in a child care facility regulated by KDHE.</p>	SB

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